- 26-8A-2. Abused or neglected child defined. In this chapter and chapter 26-7A, the term, abused or neglected child, means a child:
- (1) Whose parent, guardian, or custodian has abandoned the child or has subjected the child to mistreatment or abuse;
- (2) Who lacks proper parental care through the actions or omissions of the child's parent, guardian, or custodian;
  - (3) Whose environment is injurious to the child's welfare;
- (4) Whose parent, guardian, or custodian fails or refuses to provide proper or necessary subsistence, supervision, education, medical care, or any other care necessary for the child's health, guidance, or well-being;
- (5) Who is homeless, without proper care, or not domiciled with the child's parent, guardian, or custodian through no fault of the child's parent, guardian, or custodian;
  - (6) Who is threatened with substantial harm;
- (7) Who has sustained emotional harm or mental injury as indicated by an injury to the child's intellectual or psychological capacity evidenced by an observable and substantial impairment in the child's ability to function within the child's normal range of performance and behavior, with due regard to the child's culture;
- (8) Who is subject to sexual abuse, sexual molestation, or sexual exploitation by the child's parent, guardian, custodian, or any other person responsible for the child's care;
- (9) Who was subject to prenatal exposure to abusive use of alcohol, marijuana, or any controlled drug or substance not lawfully prescribed by a practitioner as authorized by chapters 22-42 and 34-20B; or
- (10) Whose parent, guardian, or custodian knowingly exposes the child to an environment that is being used for the manufacture, use, or distribution of methamphetamines or any other unlawfully manufactured controlled drug or substance.

**Source:** SDC 1939, § 43.0301 (12) as enacted by SL 1968, ch 164, § 1; SL 1984, ch 192, § 1; SL 1990, ch 170, § 4; SL 1991, ch 217, § 111B; SDCL Supp, § 26-8-6; SL 1998, ch 204, § 2; SL 2004, ch 181, § 1; SL 2005, ch 141, § 1; SL 2008, ch 137, § 1.

- 26-11A-24. Definition of terms. Terms used in this chapter mean:
- (1) "Abuse," any act or failure to act by an employee of a juvenile corrections facility or by a contract person or entity providing services to a juvenile corrections facility, which act was performed or was failed to be performed, knowingly, recklessly, or intentionally, and which caused, or may have caused, injury or death to an individual in the custody or care of a juvenile corrections facility;
- (2) "Monitor," the person or entity designated by the Governor to protect the legal rights of individuals in the custody or care of juvenile corrections facilities;
- (3) "Juvenile corrections facility," all juvenile correctional facilities established and maintained in accordance with § 26-11A-1;
  - (4) "Individual in the custody or care of a juvenile corrections facility," an individual who:
- (a) Is in the process of being admitted to a juvenile corrections facility, including an individual who is being transported to such a facility; or
  - (b) Is involuntarily confined in a juvenile corrections facility;
- (5) "Neglect," a negligent act or omission by any individual responsible for providing custody, care, or services in a juvenile corrections facility which caused or may have caused injury or death to an individual in the care or custody of a juvenile corrections facility or which placed such individual at undue risk of injury or death;
- (6) "Records," reports prepared or received by any staff of a juvenile corrections facility, or reports prepared by an entity or staff person charged with investigating reports of incidents of abuse or neglect, injury or death occurring at such facility that describes incidents of abuse, neglect, injury, or death occurring at such facility and the steps taken to investigate such incident.

**Source:** SL 2000, ch 128, § 1.